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PASS AGRICULTURE FOR FAS TRADE POLICY & ERS FRENCH DESK

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1. ACCORDING TO A "LE MONDE" ARTICLE OF AUGUST 20 PREVIEWING THE STATUS REPORT OF THE VIITH ECONOMIC PLAN, THE GOF ADMITS THAT AN AGRICULTURAL TRADE SURPLUS OF 20 BILLION FRANCS IN 1980 IS UNOBTAINABLE.

2. THE FAILURE TO ACHIEVE THE GOAL IS BLAMED ON CLIMATIC CONDITIONS SINCE 1976, THE "UNFORTUNATE" EFFECTS OF THE MONETARY COMPENSATORY AMOUNTS WHICH TAX FRENCH AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS TO AND SUBSIDIZE FRENCH AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS FROM EC COUNTRIES AS THE FRANC DEPRECIATES, INCREASING AGRICULTURAL COMPETITIVENESS OF OTHER EC AND THIRD COUNTRIES, AND INCREASING PRODUCTION COSTS FOR FRENCH AGRICULTURE. CONSEQUENTLY, WE CAN EXPECT THE GOAL TO BE REVISED DOWNWARD.
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